Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 23 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 24 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Oct 2021 at 16:31 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for change to milder conditions over the weekend but it will be windy. Also high confidence for rain later on Saturday then some showers on Sunday.

Headline for Saturday 23 Oct 2021: Mostly dry morning, bright spells. Becoming cloudy in afternoon with rain, mainly west of area, extending eastwards early evening. Very windy over higher ridges, summits and feeling bitterly cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 23 Oct 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
<05%	10%	10%	10%	20%	30%	40%	60%

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Weather: Dry with clear periods overnight then some bright spells during the morning. Cloudy in the afternoon with rain affecting hills near to west coast, becoming persistent and heavier, edging eastwards to all ranges during early evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% reducing 10% by early evening.

Visibility: Mostly good in the morning with occasional cloud cover about 600 to 700m. Turning misty during afternoon in west of area and poor visibility as rain becomes heavier, and extensive cloud cover coming well down the hills.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	19/24 S	28/35 S	36/46 S	42/54 S	44/57 S	48/63 S	48/63 S	41/55 S	36/49 S
900	13/18 S	20/28 S	28/37 S	31/42 S	32/44 S	34/48 S	33/47 S	30/43 S	27/39 S
600	12/16 S	25/31 S	35/44 S	42/53 S	41/53 S	43/56 S	42/55 S	35/48 S	31/42 S
300	9/12 SE	13/20 SE	17/27 S	21/33 S	23/36 S	24/38 S	23/36 S	19/32 S	17/29 S
Glen	3/8 S	5/14 S	12/25 S	15/30 S	16/33 S	17/35 S	17/35 S	15/31 S	13/27 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-7	-0/-8	0/-8	0/-9	2/-7	3/-5	4/-4	4/-3	4/-2
900	2/-3	2/-4	3/-4	3/-4	5/-2	6/-1	6/0	6/1	7/2
600	5/1	6/0	6/-0	6/0	7/2	8/2	9/3	9/4	9/4
300	7/4	7/4	8/4	8/4	10/6	10/6	10/7	11/7	11/8
Glen	7/7	8/7	9/6	10/7	12/9	12/9	12/9	12/10	12/10
Freezing Level*	1300m	1300m	1500m	1700m	1900m	2200m	2400m	2400m	2200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Difficult walking conditions in the very strong winds over higher ridges and summits. Also feeling bitterly cold.

Forecast for Sunday 24 Oct 2021
Weather: Cloudy start but the overnight rain clearing away to the east during the morning. Drier, brighter weather following, then some sunshine and scattered showers in the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Not as windy as Saturday but still a strong to gale force southwest wind on the tops. Average speeds of 30 to 40mph with gusts 55mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% improving 60% by afternoon.

Visibility: Patches of poor visibility at first with clouds down about 500 to 600m. Visibility becoming very good later in the morning with clouds lifting and breaking up. Brief deteriorations in visibility and cloud cover as showers pass by in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** 8 Celsius rising to 13 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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